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SUBJ: RAUL CASTRO'S TRAVELS

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1. SOVIET PRESS FEBRUARY 21 CONTAINUES OBFUSCATION ABOUT RAUL CASTRO'S TRAVELS BY ANNOUNCING HIS DEPARTURE FEBRUARY 20 ON "OFFICIAL FRIENDLY VISIT" TO YUGOSLAVIA AT HEAD OF A CUBAN PARTY-GOVERNMENT DELEGATION. TASS ANNOUNCEMENT DOES NOT IDENTIFY MEMBERS OF HIS DELEGATION. (TASS REPORT OF HIS FEBUARY 6 ARRIVAL IN MOSCOW HAD SAID HE WAS ON UNOFFICIAL VISIT AT INVITATION OF CPSU CENTRAL COMMITTEE AND HAD MADE NO MENTION OF A DELEGATION.)

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SOVIET SEND-OFF COMMITTEE WAS SAME RELATIVELY LOW-LEVEL

GROUP WHICH MET CASTRO ON HIS ARRIVAL FEBRUARY 6
(CC SECRETARY KATUSHEV, DEPUTY DEFENSE MINISTER
PAVLOVSKIY, AND CC APARATCHIK SHAKHNAZAROV).

2. ANNOUNCEMENT OF CASTRO'S DEPARTURE OMITTS ANY
REFERENCE TO HIS VISIT TO PRAGUE AND IS INDEED
FIRST MENTION WE HAVE SEEN ABOUT HIM SINCE REPORT OF
HIS ARRIVAL HERE. THUS SOVIET PUBLIC IS LEFT WITH
IMPRESSION THAT CASTRO HAS BEEN IN USSR SINCE
FEBRUARY 6.
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